

## State of Arizona **Department of Education**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** School Health & Nutrition Program Sponsors

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**DATE:** May 14, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Voluntary Nutrition Standards for High Schools

This memo serves to inform all Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) that the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) has developed and released the Voluntary Arizona Nutrition Standards (VANS) for High Schools.

To assist schools in creating a healthy high school environment, Health and Nutrition Services encourages all Arizona high schools to consider implementing the standards. However, the implementation of the high school standards is strictly **voluntary**. The ADE recommends if adopting the VANS that high schools do so in whole. Though, high schools may choose to adopt stricter nutrition standards. If implementing the VANS the ADE requests that the LEA notify Health and Nutrition Services.

Training for the standards will be offered at the A+ School Lunch Day 2 trainings starting July 2007.

As a reminder, in accordance with Arizona Revised Statute 15-242 all elementary, middle, and junior high schools must continue to implement the Arizona Nutrition Standards (ANS).

To view the Voluntary Arizona Nutrition Standards for High Schools please visit: <a href="http://www.ade.az.gov/health-safety/cnp/HB2544/Default.asp">http://www.ade.az.gov/health-safety/cnp/HB2544/Default.asp</a>

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